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June 30, 2003

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Docket No. 03-00426

Dear Chairman Tate:

ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and thirteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated April 24, 2001. The Amendment adds LIDB GetData and OLNS language to Attachments 1 and 2.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours.

Guy M. Hicks

Enclosure

cc:

ITC^DeltaCom, Senior Manager – Industry Relations

ITC^DeltaCom, Director-Regulatory Affairs

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No.	
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PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND ITC^DELTACOM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. ("ITC^DeltaCom") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated April 24, 2001 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth state the following:

- 1. ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to ITC^DeltaCom. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on June 26, 2001.
- 2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which adds LIDB GetData and OLNS language to Attachments 1 and 2. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and ITC^DeltaCom within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This \(\frac{6}{5} \) day of \(\sum_{\text{v}} \), 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By:

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AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ITC^DELTACOM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A ITC^DELTACOM AND

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. DATED APRIL 24, 2001

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom, ("ITC^DeltaCom"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated April 24, 2001 ("Agreement") to be effective on the date of the last signature executing the Amendment.

WHEREAS, BellSouth and ITC^DeltaCom entered into the Agreement on April 24, 2001, and;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

- 1. The Parties agree to add the terms and conditions of the LIDB Resale Storage Agreement to Attachment 1 as a new Exhibit B, as set forth in Exhibit 1 of this Amendment.
- 2. The Parties agree to add the terms and conditions of the LIDB Facilities Based Storage Agreement to Attachment 2, Exhibit A, as set forth in Exhibit 2 of this Amendment.
- 3. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated April 24, 2001, shall remain in full force and effect.
- 4. Either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom	BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
By: Manette S. Edwards	By: la Shungh
Name: Kanette S. Edwards	Name: Elizabeth R. A. Shiroishi
Title: Director-Regulatory	Title: <u>Director</u>
Date: 5-9-03	Date: 05-14-03

LINE INFORMATION DATA BASE (LIDB) RESALE STORAGE AGREEMENT

I.	Definitions (from Addendum)
Α.	Billing number - a number used by BellSouth for the purpose of identifying an account liable for charges. This number may be a line or a special billing number.
B.	Line number - a ten-digit number assigned by BellSouth that identifies a telephone line associated with a resold local exchange service.
C.	Special billing number - a ten-digit number that identifies a billing account established by BellSouth in connection with a resold local exchange service.
D.	Calling Card number - a billing number plus PIN number assigned by BellSouth.
E.	PIN number - a four-digit security code assigned by BellSouth that is added to a billing number to compose a fourteen-digit calling card number.
F.	Toll billing exception indicator - associated with a billing number to indicate that it is considered invalid for billing of collect calls or third number calls or both, by ITC^DeltaCon
G.	Billed Number Screening - refers to the query service used to determine whether a toll billing exception indicator is present for a particular billing number.
Н.	Calling Card Validation - refers to the query service used to determine whether a particular calling card number exists as stated or otherwise provided by a caller.
I.	Billing number information - information about billing number or Calling Card number as assigned by BellSouth and toll billing exception indicator provided to BellSouth by ITC^DeltaCom.
J.	Get-Data - refers to the query service used to determine, at a minimum, the Account Owner and/or Regional Accounting Office for a line number. This query service may be modified to provide additional information in the future.
K.	Originating Line Number Screening ("OLNS") - refers to the query service used to determine the billing, screening and call handling indicators, station type and Account Owner provided

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dialtone on a subscriber line.

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A. This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which BellSouth agrees to store in its LIDB certain information at the request of ITC^DeltaCom and pursuant to which BellSouth, its LIDB customers and ITC^DeltaCom shall have access to such information. In addition, this Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions for ITC^DeltaCom's provision of billing number information to BellSouth for inclusion in BellSouth's LIDB. ITC^DeltaCom understands that BellSouth provides access to information in its LIDB to

Account Owner - name of the local exchange telecommunications company that is providing

to BellSouth by ITC^DeltaCom for originating line numbers.

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Attachment 1
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Exhibit B

various telecommunications service providers pursuant to applicable tariffs and agrees that information stored at the request of ITC^DeltaCom, pursuant to this Agreement, shall be available to those telecommunications service providers. The terms and conditions contained herein shall hereby be made a part of this Resale Agreement upon notice to ITC^DeltaCom's account team and/or Local Contract Manager to activate this LIDB Storage Agreement. The General Terms and Conditions of the Resale Agreement shall govern this LIDB Storage Agreement. The terms and conditions contained in the attached Addendum are hereby made a part of this LIDB Storage Agreement as if fully incorporated herein.

B. BellSouth will provide responses to on-line, call-by-call queries to billing number information for the following purposes:

1. Billed Number Screening

BellSouth is authorized to use the billing number information to determine whether ITC^DeltaCom has identified the billing number as one that should not be billed for collect or third number calls.

2. Calling Card Validation

BellSouth is authorized to validate a 14-digit Calling Card number where the first 10 digits are a line number or special billing number assigned by BellSouth, and where the last four digits (PIN) are a security code assigned by BellSouth.

3. OLNS

BellSouth is authorized to provide originating line screening information for billing services restrictions, station type, call handling indicators, presubscribed interLATA and local carrier and account owner on the lines of ITC^DeltaCom from which a call originates.

4. GetData

BellSouth is authorized to provide, at a minimum, the account owner and/or Regional Accounting Office information on the lines of ITC^DeltaCom indicating the local service provider and where billing records are to be sent for settlement purposes. This query service may be modified to provide additional information in the future.

5. Fraud Control

BellSouth will provide seven days per week, 24-hours per day, fraud monitoring on Calling Cards, bill-to-third and collect calls made to numbers in BellSouth's LIDB, provided that such information is included in the LIDB query. BellSouth will establish fraud alert thresholds and will notify ITC^DeltaCom of fraud alerts so that ITC^DeltaCom may take action it deems appropriate.

III. Responsibilities of the Parties

A. BellSouth will administer all data stored in the LIDB, including the data provided by ITC^DeltaCom pursuant to this Agreement, in the same manner as BellSouth's data for BellSouth's End User customers. BellSouth shall not be responsible to ITC^DeltaCom for any lost revenue which may result from BellSouth's administration of the LIDB pursuant to its established practices and procedures as they exist and as they may be changed by BellSouth in its sole discretion from time to time.

B. Billing and Collection Customers

BellSouth currently has in effect numerous billing and collection agreements with various interexchange carriers and billing clearing houses and as such these billing and collection customers ("B&C Customers") query BellSouth's LIDB to determine whether to accept various billing options from End Users. Until such time as BellSouth implements in its LIDB and its supporting systems the means to differentiate ITC^DeltaCom's data from BellSouth's data, the following shall apply:

- 1. BellSouth will identify ITC^DeltaCom end user originated long distance charges and will return those charges to the interexchange carrer as not covered by the existing B&C agreement. ITC^DeltaCom is responsible for entering into the appropriate agreement with interexchange carriers for handling of long distance charges by their end users.
- 2. BellSouth shall have no obligation to become involved in any disputes between ITC^DeltaCom and B&C Customers. BellSouth will not issue adjustments for charges billed on behalf of any B&C Customer to ITC^DeltaCom. It shall be the responsibility of ITC^DeltaCom and the B&C Customers to negotiate and arrange for any appropriate adjustments.

IV. Fees for Service and Taxes

- A. ITC^DeltaCom will not be charged a fee for storage services provided by BellSouth to ITC^DeltaCom, as described in this LIDB Resale Storage Agreement.
- B. Sales, use and all other taxes (excluding taxes on BellSouth's income) determined by BellSouth or any taxing authority to be due to any federal, state or local taxing jurisdiction with respect to the provision of the service set forth herein will be paid by ITC^DeltaCom in accordance with the tax provisions set forth in the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.

LINE INFORMATION DATA BASE (LIDB) FACILITIES BASED STORAGE AGREEMENT

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II. General

A. This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which BellSouth agrees to store in its LIDB certain information at the request of ITC^DeltaCom and pursuant to which BellSouth, its LIDB customers and ITC^DeltaCom shall have access to such information. In addition, this Agreement sets forth the terms and

Exhibit A

conditions for ITC^DeltaCom's provision of billing number information to BellSouth for inclusion in BellSouth's LIDB. ITC^DeltaCom understands that BellSouth provides access to information in its LIDB to various telecommunications service providers pursuant to applicable tariffs and agrees that information stored at the request of ITC^DeltaCom, pursuant to this Agreement, shall be available to those telecommunications service providers. The terms and conditions contained herein shall hereby be made a part of this Interconnection Agreement upon notice to ITC^DeltaCom's account team and/or Local Contract Manager to activate this LIDB Storage Agreement. The General Terms and Conditions of the Interconnection/Resale Agreement shall govern this LIDB Storage Agreement.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the day of ______, 2003:

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